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Domestic Air Passenger Traffic
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether domestic air passenger traffic in the country has been increasing over the last few years, if so, the details thereof during the last three years in terms of percentage, year-wise;

(b) whether domestic air passenger traffic has increased by over 26 per cent in July this year alone, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether passenger demand has broadly grown in line with the average of the past ten years, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the industry faces some potential headwinds, including lingering impacts from the series of terrorist attacks and the fragile economic backdrop and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the estimated increase in number of air passengers during the next three years and the steps taken by the Airports Authority of India to build necessary infrastructure to meet the demands of increased air passengers traffic in the country?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a): The growth of scheduled domestic air passenger traffic during the years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (up to Dec. 2016) in terms of percentage, year-wise is enclosed at Annexure-A.;

(b): The growth of Scheduled domestic air passenger traffic during July, 2016 in comparison to July, 2015 is about 26% as mentioned in Annexure-A.;

(c): The details of scheduled domestic Revenue Passenger Kilometers performed and year-wise growth thereon, during the last ten years is shown at Annexure-A.;

(d): No Madam. As of now, industry does not face or anticipate any potential headwinds, including lingering impacts from the series of terrorist attacks and the fragile economic backdrop.;;

(e): During next 3 years ie. upto 2019-20, International and domestic passengers are expected to grow at a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 7% and 12% respectively, resulting to handle about 72 million international passengers and 285 million domestic passengers by 2019-20. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has made plans for investment of Rs. 17500 crores in five years upto 2020-21 for creating/upgrading airports and Air Navigation Services (ANS) infrastructure. Details attached at Annexure-B